

Commerce City Business & Professional Association
Business Meeting Minutes
January 3, 2008

1. Call to order – 7:30 am
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Introductions
4. Thoughts on this year's holiday dinner
 - Silent Auction raised \$5,607.00
 - 132 attended (13 more than last year)
 - Excellent appetizers and dessert – food was good
 - Too expensive
5. Committees
 - a. Holiday Dinner/Santa Extravaganza
Cristie Jophlin, Judy Tunis, Teresa Haft, Kristi Douglas, David Pocs, and Lois Kimmes
 - b. Nominations
Mac McFarlin – mentioned he would like to get some new blood as chairperson
 - c. By-Laws
No activity planned this year, if arises board of directors will handle it
 - d. Membership/Ribbon Cutting
Derek Watson, Dawn Majluf, Jimmy Burds, Ted Kimmes, Dawn Majluf, Kristi Douglas, and Stephanie Salazar (will hand out information packet to new businesses)
 - e. Golf
Greg Fabisiak, Tom Knight, Dale Algrim, Teresa Haft, Chad, and Kristi Douglas
 - f. After Hours
Mark (VB&T), Jan (ACSD14)
 - g. Program
Rhonda Hathaway, Cristie Jophlin, and Toby Maez
 - h. Budget
Brooke Faux, Judy Tunis, and Cristie Jophlin
6. Speakers Brainstorm
 - a. Cathy Burds, International
 - b. Dr. Lange – what to do with ACHS
 - c. Deb Hessling – Web Designer
 - d. Chief Baca, incoming chief
 - e. Tom Acre – Annexation
 - f. Carolyn Keith, Recreation Center
 - g. Economist
 - h. Germs, TCHD
 - i. Rocky Mountain Employees
 - j. Small Business Administration

- k. Update from the City, invite Mayor and City Manager
7. After Hours Committee – volunteer hosts for quarterly events
 - a. Valley Bank and Trust
 - b. Mile High Racing and Entertainment was suggested
 - c. Gala Gardens/Werth Manor
 - d. Exempla will get back to us
8. Mini Seminars
The idea for these would be additional to monthly meetings – could be for members and non members as another way to educated our businesses
 - a. Notary
 - b. HR Law
 - c. Citywide clubs and organizations
 - d. Jimmy Burds knows people to talk with businesses about business related things
 - e. Economic Development would be willing to host meetings on financing, labor force development
 - f. Derek Watson knows people to discuss financial planning and wealth transfer
9. What information from Economic Development
 - offer data and mapping
 - connections to financing
 - connections to labor force development (regional partners and career fairs)
 - educational piece of labor development
 - information on business expansion
 - hold monthly luncheons on various topics
 - seminars on sales tax information
10. BBQ Competition
Committee will be needed to research logistics in holding a BBQ contest in 2009.
11. Other comments
Mac McFarlin noted that for all other community events in Commerce City we need to be represented. For example, neighborhood outreaches and Derby Daze.
12. Adjournment 8:30 am